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1. WANG Pi-ch'eng (3769/1801/2052), former deputy commander of the Chekiang Military District (CMD), has been appointed commander. Formerly, WANG was an army and deputy column commander in the New 4 Army. During the war with Japan he was active in the Nanking-Shanghai line in south Kiangsu. In January 1952 he was appointed deputy commander of the 7 Army Group.
2. CHANG Ai-p'ing (1728/1947/5493), former CMD commander, has been appointed chief of staff of the East China Military Area replacing CHOU Chun-ming (0719/7486/7686).¹ CHANG was formerly a division commander in the New 4 Army and an army commander in the East China Field Army. He was appointed East China Navy Commander when the East China Naval Command was established in autumn 1949. In March 1951 he was appointed commander of the CMD and concurrently commander of the 7 Army Group.
3. Other key CMD personnel are as follows: political commissar, T'AN Chen-lin (6223/7201/2651) (concurrently); deputy political commissar, T'AN Ch'i-lung (6223/0796/7893); chief of staff, CHAO Chun (6392/0193); and director of the political department, TING Ch'iu-sheng (0002/4428/3932).

1. CHOU Chun-ming was deputy chief of staff of the East China Military Area.

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